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FROM: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Replacement of Director's Cadillac

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for approval. This recommendation is contained in paragraph 4.

2. The Director's Cadillac was procured in 1950 with unvouchered funds. It was authorized by Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter, then the DCI, and procured by [redacted] for the Agency from the Cadillac Division, General Motors, Detroit, Michigan, at a cost of approximately $4,000 through the Government Sales Representative of General Motors. Subsequently, the Bureau of the Budget questioned the authority for the acquisition of this luxury type vehicle by the Director. General Cabell advised the Bureau of the Budget that such authority was contained in Section 10.(b) of Public Law 110. This opinion was not challenged.

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3. The Cadillac has attained sufficient age (6 years) to qualify for replacement under GSA Regulation 1-III-3.6(2) "Replacement Standards". The Transportation Division's revised operating budget for FY 1956 included $5,500 of vouchered funds for the replacement of a Cadillac. The revised FY 1956 Transportation Division operating budget was incorporated into the Agency FY 1957 submission to the Bureau of the Budget. However, no specific detail was submitted to the Bureau, therefore, in approving the FY 1957 estimates, the Bureau could not have had knowledge of the allowance for a Cadillac in the revised FY 1956 budget.

4. The Director's Cadillac meets GSA age requirements. Its upkeep is becoming more costly and its performance more questionable. Moreover, vouchered funds for its replacement in 1956 have been included in our budget, therefore, it is recommended that the Director's 1950 Cadillac be replaced by a 1956 Cadillac and the procurement be requested in the usual routine manner through GSA. It is further recommended that prior to requesting procurement, in order to prevent

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possible representations and encouragement this be cleared with Mr. Macy of the Bureau of the Budget and possibly with the Senior Member of the Congressional Subcommittee.

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* I believe the preferable way to accomplish the desired result would be to specifically include the requirement in the 1957 budget submission to the Bureau of the Budget and to the Congress. All other Government agencies are required to follow this procedure unless replacements and/or additions are effected. If this procedure is followed, it will mean that the replacement could not be effected before July 1957.

Let discuss before final decision is made.

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The recommendations [illegible] paragraph 4 are approved.

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**We subscribe to the Comptroller's view as to the preferable procedure. We note that on the prior procurement we relied on section 10 generally of P. L. 110 rather than section 10(b) specifically. This satisfied the Bureau of the Budget as to legal authority.

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